

**IN UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS**

SHERMAN DIVISION

DATE: 5/16/2025

CHIEF DISTRICT JUDGE
Amos L. Mazzant, III

COURT REPORTER: Chris Bickham
COURTROOM DEPUTY: Keary Conrad

United States of America	
v.	4:22CR162
Edward Walsh Vaughan (1) Hadi Akkad (2)	

ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF	ATTORNEYS FOR DEFENDANT
AUSAs Anand Varadarajan, GR Jackson	John D. Cline, Joseph D. Brown, Samuel Ford (1) David B. Gerger, Heather Peterson, Jeff Kearney (2)
Movant: USA Bank, NA and Elavon, Inc.	

On this day, came the parties by their attorneys and the following proceedings were held in Sherman, TX:

TIME:	MINUTES: Jury Trial - Day 4
9:02 a.m.	Court in session, jury seated.
9:04 a.m.	Govt witness: Sean Lynch, reminded he is still under oath. David Gerger continues cross examination.
9:19 a.m.	Defendant Exhibits 55, 640, 1059, 1048, 242, 83, 174, 200, 205, 654. Government Exhibit 152.
10:30 a.m.	Jury excused. Court recess.
10:45 a.m.	Court re-covened. Jury seated. David Gerger cross.
10:52 a.m.	Defendant Exhibit 644.
10:53 a.m.	John Cline cross examination.
10:59 a.m.	Glenn Roque-Jackson re-direct.
11:07 a.m.	David Gerger re-cross. Defendant Exhibit 1048A
11:14 a.m.	Glenn Roque-Jackson re-direct.
11:14 a.m.	Witness excused.
11:14 a.m.	Stipulation read into the record by AUSA Glenn Roque-Jackson.

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11:15 a.m.	Govt witness: Ralph "Alex" Elmore, IV, sworn. AUSA Jackson direct examination.
11:24 a.m.	Government exhibit 146.
11:26 a.m.	John Cline cross examination.
11:35 a.m.	Roque-Jackson re-direct.
11:35 a.m.	Bench conference.
11:38 a.m.	Witness excused.
11:39 a.m.	Govt witness: Karen Hottle, sworn. AUSA Jackson direct.
12:14 p.m.	Witness excused.
12:14 p.m.	Govt witness: Laurie Sheehan, sworn. AUSA Varadarajan direct.
12:21 p.m.	Government Exhibit 137B, 124B.
12:30 p.m.	Jury excused. Court recess.
1:34 p.m.	Court re-convened. Jury seated.
1:37 p.m.	AUSA Varadarajan direct of Laurie Sheehan continues. Government Exhibits 124B, 123B, 122B.
2:08 p.m.	Samuel Ford cross. Defendant Exhibit 634. No objection. Admitted.
2:16 p.m.	Defendant Exhibit 642. No objection. Admitted.
2:32 p.m.	AUSA Varadarajan re-direct. Government Exhibits 124B and 123B.
2:38 p.m.	Govt witness: Jonathon Dotson, sworn. AUSA Varadarajan direct.
2:48 p.m.	Government Exhibits 136A, 188.
3:09 p.m.	Jury excused. Court recess.
3:26 p.m.	Court re-convened. Jury seated.
3:27 p.m.	AUSA Varadarajan continues direct.
3:35 p.m.	Government Exhibit 220. Counsel Ford requests for optional completeness that the entire email being Defendant's Exhibit 170 be admitted. No objection. Exhibits admitted.
3:38 p.m.	Government Exhibit 180.
3:43 p.m.	Samuel Ford cross examination.
3:49 p.m.	Bench conference.

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3:57 p.m.	Samuel Ford cross examination.
3:58 p.m.	Jury excused.
4:00 p.m.	Court adjourned.

DAVID O'TOOLE, CLERK

BY: Keary Conrad
Courtroom Deputy Clerk